

promoting them. A bookie is very much, and it was pointed out in a movie called "Trading Places with Eddie Murphy", the person who brokers, he was telling Eddie Murphy in this movie because they wanted to teach him to be a broker that they buy and sell gold and other precious metals for their clients. If they think it is good to buy, they buy. If they think it is good to sell, they sell, and the good part is that whether their client makes money or loses, they get their commission. So Eddie Murphy said, oh, you guys are like a couple of bookies. That is the way the bookie operates like any other business. There is a percentage which the bookie hopes to win or collect from these transactions. There is nothing like parimutuel horse racing where 30 people might bet on a game, you put all that money in the pot, then you divide it among them. If the odds are \$11 to make \$10 and 100 people bet \$11 to make \$10 on the same team and that team wins, everyone of those people will win the \$10 plus getting their \$11 back that they put up. That is not the way it is in parimutuel racing. The amount you win is determined by how many bet and how many win. If a bookie cannot lay off his bets and everybody is going to bet one way, he will either not accept the bets or he will do what they call "taking a bath." He will lose on that and there have been instances of that occurring. Senator Hoagland probably doesn't even understand what this bill is about or what is involved with it. So the easy way out, and I wouldn't be surprised if the Legislature would take it but I hope you won't, is to simply vote to kill this bill. There will be no discussion of the issues and no pointing out the hypocrisy that exists with reference to gambling right now. This issue, not just in LB 72, but the very one of how society is going to deal with gambling is important enough for more discussion than Senator Hoagland and his cohorts would want me to have this morning. But if you kill my bill at this point, I am going to find other people's bills and other opportunities to discuss this issue. You are just starting earlier in the session on me than usually happens but I promise you, and some of you know from the past that I will and that I can do it, find other bills on which I can attempt to attach amendments to give myself the opportunity, or I may just sit back and watch what you do with this bill, then make some motions to reconsider. I think it is grossly unfair to try to terminate a consideration of this bill at this point. But before I sit down at this one...